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# EY announces Ryan Sasson of Strategic Financial Solutions Entrepreneur Of The Year® 2017 semifinalist in New York

New York, NY, April 27, 2017 -EY announced that Ryan Sasson, CEO of Strategic Financial Solutions, has been named a semifinalist for the Entrepreneur Of The Year<sup>®</sup> 2017 Award in the New York Region. The awards program, which is celebrating its 31st year, recognizes entrepreneurs who are excelling in areas such as innovation, financial performance and personal commitment to their businesses and communities. Mr. Sasson was selected as a semifinalist by a panel of independent judges. Award winners will be announced at a special gala event on Thursday, June 22, 2017 at the Marriott Marquis.



"I am honored to be named as a semifinalist for the

Entrepreneur Of The Year<sup>®</sup> Award," said Mr. Sasson. "While this nomination may be in my name, it is testament to the work that every member of the Strategic team does day in and day out to

help our clients achieve financial peace of mind. I am grateful to work with such a dedicated team that understands that their dedication to our clients make their lives better."

Strategic Financial Solutions was founded in 2007 to provide assistance to consumers burdened with heavy credit card debt. Since its founding, the company has grown to over 500 employees and resolved more than \$750 million of debt for over 100,000 clients.

Now in its 31st year, the Entrepreneur Of The Year<sup>®</sup> program has expanded to recognize business leaders in over 145 cities and more than 60 countries throughout the world.

Regional award winners are eligible for consideration for the Entrepreneur Of The Year National competition. Award winners in several national categories, as well as the Entrepreneur Of The Year National Overall Award winner, will be announced at the Entrepreneur Of The Year National Awards gala in Palm Springs, California, on November 18, 2017. The awards are the culminating event of the Strategic Growth Forum<sup>TM</sup>, the nation's most prestigious gathering of high-growth, market-leading companies.

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Strategic Financial Solutions is a leading financial services company that provides comprehensive debt relief solutions for people in difficult financial situations. Through its personalized, tailored approach and proprietary

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ast 50 Companies list and most recently ranked 44<sup>th</sup> in the Best Companies to Work for in New York 12016. The company has also been recognized as an INC. 500 company in 2016 as one of the fastest

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